

SENATE BILL 1419

By Watson

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 5-1-104, relative to vacancies in county offices.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 5-1-104(b), is amended by adding the following language as a new subdivision:

(4) If the next general election is more than one hundred eighty (180) days from the time the vacancy is created in the office of county mayor, the county legislative body in its discretion may call for a special election for the filling of such vacancy. Such special election, if authorized by the county legislative body, shall be held within one hundred twenty (120) days of the county election commission receiving the call for the election and the individual elected pursuant to such special election shall complete the remainder of the term of the individual that created the vacancy.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.